

Village of INDIAN POINT

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Calendar of Events—

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August 2—Noon
Police & Safety Meeting

August 4—2:00 pm
Board of Public Works Mtg

August 5 — 7:00 pm
Planning and Zoning Mtg

August 10—7:00 p.m.
Trustees Meeting

*Note: All meetings are held
in the Treehouse Condo Club
Room unless noted otherwise*

*As of publication, these are
the only meetings scheduled.*

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Board of Public Works



Since the formation of the Board of Public Works in January of 2004, meetings have been numerous, but productive in their efforts to make the community aware of the Rules and Regulations that were adopted in March, 2004.

During the month of May, a public forum was held to discuss the Rules and Regulations and answer questions. Attendance was small, but worthwhile for all who attended.

The BPW has reviewed and had inspected four (4) complaints and new treatment systems have either been installed or are in the process of being installed.

Currently the BPW is gathering information for the Jakes Creek Trail Project and in-depth discussions are held at each meeting.

The Board of Public Works Rules and Regulations requires an initial

inventory of all systems that are presently installed in the Village. Therefore, during the month of August, each resident and business owner will be receiving an inventory form in the mail to be completed by the property owner. This form is to be returned to the Village office within thirty (30) days of receipt.

The BPW directors are dedicated in their efforts and invite you to attend their meetings which are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:00 p.m. in the Treehouse Condo Clubroom.

Community Building Update

Members of the Building Committee met with the Architect in July.

A sketch was presented and committee members gave input. The architect will "fine tune" the sketch and will be meeting with the committee in the near future.

Apple Pickers

By: Arno Wehr

In the early 70's our little community was aghast over a thief that lived in the U S Corp campgrounds in an old car. He was caught by our local deputy, Mr. Straw. Even back 30 years, we had theft. Boats (entire boats), motors, tackle, gas, all seemed to be the bright shiny apples thieves wanted. Over the years our local crimes ranged from tiny theft to huge well planned rip offs. Thanks to a lot of people networking, we actually caught an awful lot of thieves. But it wasn't easy at first to get locals to even bother reporting a stolen ladder, lawn chair, tools, small tackle, ad infinitum. We had to explain that if apples were picked from an orchard one at a time, there would be no apples left.

Today, like 30 years ago, we have apple pickers on foot, in cars, and by boats coming to the harvest on Indian Point. This is our little orchard, our community, and no matter how small a theft you just have to think that it may be connected to other thefts. Don't wait for your turn to get picked. Call in your information and protect us all.

TRUSTEES JULY MEETING

The Board of Trustees met on July 13, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Treehouse Condo Clubroom to review and/or take action on the following:

1. Executive Session was held to discuss employee evaluation/issues per Section 610.021(3) of the Sunshine Law.
2. Minutes from the June meeting were approved with correction.
3. June financials were filed for audit.
4. Noise review was discussed as to number of complaints received and it was determined to not change the ordinance at this time.
5. Changing of the CAAD ordinance was tabled until August and Trustees were asked to submit five (5) names.
6. Motion was made to hire a part-time clerical assistant not to work more than 20 hours per week for the Village. Tabled until August.
7. First reading of Ordinance 04-06, Bill Number 83 to approve final plat, parcel IV of Indian Point Condominium-Reserved Properties was read and approved.
8. Village Attorney discussed information on Village jurisdiction and boundaries, including the Corp of Engineers property.
9. Chief of Police Forrest Thompson's resignation was approved by the Trustees effective July 31, 2004.
10. Police and Safety Advisory Committee Report—Brett Stump reported that the reserved officers have resigned their commissions with the Village. Approval was granted to run an ad for the position of Chief of Police for ten (10) days. Approval was granted to purchase the Taser Gun for the Police department. Mr. Stump also reported on work being done with the Corp of Engineers regarding enforcement of ordinances to be brought to the Trustees in September. Mr. Stump thanked Forrest Thompson for a job well done.
11. Planning and Zoning Commission—Greg Maycock reported that rezoning of property in Tablerock Beach subdivision was denied.
12. Board of Public Works—Greg Maycock requested the second distribution of \$5,000 of the budgeted amount of \$20,000 be issued to the BPW. Approval was granted by the Trustees. Mr. Maycock further reported on the Jakes Creek Trail project.
13. Roads—Jim Daily reported that paving has been completed on Magnolia Lane and patchwork has been done on various other roads in the Village. It was noted that striping on Indian Point Road was completed.
14. CAAD—Kent Turner reported beautification and the community building. Betty Fier reported on recycling and Jan Hoynacki reported on the Transportation Coalition.
15. Second reading and final approval of Ordinance 04-06, bill 83.
16. Accounts payable were approved. The Trustees approved the Village Attorney's bill of \$687.50 be paid by the Board of Public Works.
17. Comments from the Trustees and the floor were given.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Copies of the actual minutes of the meeting are in the Village office. If you would like a copy, the cost is \$2.50 per month and the proper forms are available in the office to receive a copy or download the minutes from the website at no charge!

Indian Point Police Report—June, 2004

Traffic Stops	6
Tickets Issued	3
Total Warnings	0
Vehicles Towed	0
Civil Standby	0
Motorist Assists	0
Property Recovered	0
Calls for Service	10
Total Arrests	0
Assist Other Agency	6

Planning & Zoning Tidbits

No structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, moved, or structurally altered without the issuance of a Zoning Compliance Permit.

The following information must be submitted when applying for a permit for residential property:

- 1) Zoning permit application

- 2) Sketch plan of the structure, showing setbacks on the front, sides and back of the platted property
- 3) Legal description of the property
- 4) Date construction will start
- 5) \$25.00 Permit Fee

Approval will be granted within ten (10) days of receipt of application.

Questions, call the office 338-5599!

Such A Deal!

By: Arno Wehr

First impressions of an Indian Point “newbie” resident is we are a well run county service based operation. Roads, police, lights are part of our property taxes and as an owner of real estate we help pay for the village services.

At the end of the year we collectively gripe over property taxes and compare notes on how school and road taxes affect us. Naturally we feel it is time “they” widen our local road and do something about the corner light!

What is interesting about all this is the fictional understanding of how our Village is financed. **People living in the Village pay no tax to the Village except if they buy a boat or vehicle.** **We pay no taxes to the Village** and even some of our long term owners do not understand this.

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The Village forefathers spent two years before the Village was created to set up a vision for our community. The vision, after a community study was made, was to develop roads, local safety, trails and walkways, sewer, waters, and a community center. This was wrapped up with a no tax ribbon. The solution was simple—All the business owners agreed to pay community

taxes by collecting a special village sales tax. The owners went to the residents and explained that if the residents would vote on the concept together, we could all prosper. “Such a Deal!”

Over a decade later, half our residents still haven’t grasped the benefit of “no taxes” and the danger of business failures causing future (very high) property taxes to kick in. Synergism makes our

Village work. Residents, by spending a few local dollars, help themselves. Businesses by investing help everyone.

No it’s not Utopia! What it can be is a pleasant little Village that will become a very desirable place to have summer homes, condos, homes and commercial enterprise.

One final ingredient is our volunteers who glue this all together. **You’re** always welcome to help and hopefully you’ll understand our “deal”.



Aluminum Recycling Benefits Indian Point Beautification Projects

By: Betty Fier

Please save and recycle those aluminum cans.

Drop off points are:

Cottage Resort—across from cottages on Tablerock Circle

Deer Run Campground—Campground & John the Diver Road
(Please let Karin in the store know before dropping off aluminum cans)

White Wing Resort—Jake Creek Area

Treehouse Condos—Treehouse owners & guests only



Farewell to All!

By: Forrest Thompson

I am sure by now that you all know that my family and I are moving out of the Village and therefore I can no longer be your Chief of Police.

I have enjoyed working here and have met a lot of very nice people and would like to thank everyone that supported me and the police department as a whole. I know that you will make my successor feel as welcome as you have made me. Good luck to all of you and thanks for allowing me to serve as your first Chief of Police. It was an experience I will never forget!

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DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON
TUESDAY,
AUGUST 3, 2004

Postal Customer

Overcoming Stereotypes By: Forrest Thompson

During the month of May, an Indian Motorcycle Rally was held in the Village of Indian Point and prior to the event, the Police Department received several phone calls. The callers expressed their concerns about having *Bikers* on the Point. I can understand their concerns, if this was an outlaw biker gang, but this was far from that. The cyclists who visited the Point over that weekend included doctors, lawyers, law enforcement officers and a judge, among other professional business people.

So now that the event is over I thought everyone might like to know that there were *no* incidents involving the cyclists. All the people the police department spoke with were perfect ladies and gentlemen and were very well behaved.

The Police Department would like to commend Mike Kugler and Mike Gabriel for putting on a very successful event here on Indian Point. We should encourage these types of events in the future.

Keep up the good work!

**DID YOU KNOW——
95% of the Village Revenue
is paid by visitors and not
residents!**

Wanted

Once again Indian Point will have a Holiday bazaar. This year the event will be held on November 5th and 6th at the Treehouse Clubrooms. If you have a craft, like to back and wish to participate, we welcome new items and ideas.

Please contact Betty at 263-0436.

Did You Know?

If we located an approximate 28 x 28 foot piece of land on Indian Point that could be fenced with a cement pad, we could have a recycle trailer?

If you have an idea, please call Kathy at the Village office or Betty Fier, 263-0436.